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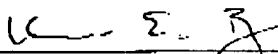
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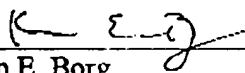
Sir:

This paper is submitted as an inquiry as to the status of the application identified above.

More than two years have passed since the filing of this application on October 8, 2003, accompanied by a return post-card. A Filing Receipt was received January 9, 2004. An Information Disclosure Statement was submitted on May 6, 2004. A Notice of Publication of Application was received August 9, 2004. No further communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on this application.

Kindly advise the undersigned of the present status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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